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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request - Lincoln County, Arkansas

Dear Mr. Lipton:

Please be advised that our office represents Lincoln County, Arkansas, and your May 22, 2019 e-mail/letter requesting numerous documents/records has been forwarded to me for a response.

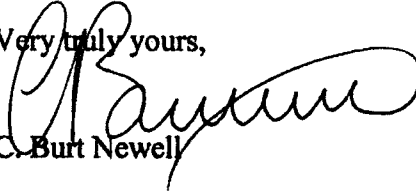
The records you are requesting are not readily available and would entail hours of staff searching for, retrieving, reviewing, and/or copying of the requested records, etc. Lincoln County does not have the manpower and/or funds to take on this task. In addition, pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotate 25-19-105 (a)(1)(A) states:

"Except as otherwise specifically provided by this section or by laws specifically enacted to provide otherwise, all public records shall be open to inspection and copying by any citizen of the State of Arkansas during the regular business hours of the custodian of records." (Emphasis mine).

Therefore, since you are not a citizen of the State of Arkansas and the information/records you are requesting would entail a large number of manhours and copying costs, Lincoln County is declining to respond to your F.O.I.A. request.

At this time, I am requesting that you cease contacting my client, Lincoln County, Arkansas, or its employees, agents, and/or representatives concerning this matter. Should you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,



C. Burt Newell

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cc: Sheriff Leonard Hogg